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An information disclosure statement, PTO Form 1449, and copies of 150 documents cited on the PTO Form 1449 were filed for this application on June 21, 2004. Applicants' representative received a date-stamped return postcard from the Patent Office indicating that the information disclosure statement, PTO Form 1449, and 150 documents were received on June 23, 2004. The Office did not return initialed copies of the PTO Form 1449 with the first official action issued for this application, however, and courtesy copies of the information disclosure statement and PTO Form 1449 were therefore submitted to the Office with a reply filed December 12, 2007 along with a request that the examiner consider the documents listed on the PTO Form 1449 and return an initialed copy of the form to applicants' representative. The official action issued March 21, 2008 indicates that the documents cited in the PTO form 1449 were never scanned into the file for the application, however, and are thus are not available for consideration by the Office. Accordingly, courtesy copies of the information disclosure statement, PTO Form 1449, date-stamped return postcard, and foreign patents and non-patent literature references originally filed with the Office on June 21, 2004 are being submitted herewith. Also enclosed is a copy of the official action dated March 21, 2008, as suggested by the examiner. Applicants respectfully ask the examiner to return the PTO Form

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1449 to their undersigned representative, confirming consideration of the listed documents. Applicants believe that no fee is required for this submission because it is necessitated by an error on the part of the Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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